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Docket: CU-4849**Amendments to the Claims**

The listing of claims presented below replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for preparation of a sample, in particular for extraction and enrichment of a volatile component from a liquid, solid or gaseous sample for subsequent introduction into an analytical device, for example a gas chromatograph, characterized in that wherein the sample is flushed through a packing of a stationary phase for extraction of the analytes of interest.
2. (currently amended) A device for carrying out the method as claimed in claim 1, comprising a syringe, and a hollow needle connected to the syringe body, characterized in that wherein, between the needle and the syringe body, a chamber is provided which is wider than the cross section of the needle and in which an extraction material is located.
3. (currently amended) The device as claimed in claim [[3]] 2, characterized in that wherein the chamber is provided with a heating means for heating.